### Mills Township

Midland County, Michigan

Annual Financial Statements and Auditors' Report March 31, 2008

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# Mills Township List of Elected and Appointed Officials March 31, 2008

#### **Township Board**

Daniel Bloom - Supervisor

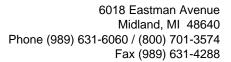
Sara Pitch - Treasurer

Maxine Brink - Clerk

Alan Wendt - Trustee

Clyde Hoover -Trustee







#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Township Board Mills Township Midland County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Mills Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Mills Township's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund of Mills Township as of March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof, for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated August 20, 2008, on our consideration of the Mills Township's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.



The budgetary comparison information identified in the table of contents are not required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Township has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required part of, the basic financial statements.

August 20, 2008

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Midland, Michigan

#### Mills Township Statement of Net Assets March 31, 2008

Assets Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 475,005
Receivables	Ψ 470,000
Taxes	47,747
Water lines assessments	1,309,998
Due from other governmental units	20,352
Capital assets - net of accumulated depreciation	679,139
Total assets	2,532,241
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	5,702
Accrued and other liabilities	59,168
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due within one year	57,169
Due in more than one year	2,459,694
Total liabilities	2,581,733
Net Assets	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	518,276
Restricted for:	
Debt service	189,247
Unrestricted (deficit)	(757,015)
Total net assets (deficit)	\$ (49,492)

#### Mills Township Statement of Activities For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Program Revenues										
Functions/Programs	Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contribution		s and Grants an		Re Cl	et (Expense) evenue and changes in Net Assets	
Primary government											
Governmental activities			_				_		_	(	
General government	\$	201,178	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(201,178)	
Public safety Public works		91,261 404,194		- 116,119		-		289,000		(91,261) 925	
Community and economic development		2,715		-		_		209,000		(2,715)	
Recreation and culture		45,835		-		-		_		(45,835)	
Interest on long-term debt		124,344		-				-		(124,344)	
Total governmental activities	<u>\$</u>	869,527	\$	116,119	\$		\$	289,000		(464,408)	
	General revenues Property taxes State shared revenue Unrestricted investment earnings Miscellaneous									187,604 153,850 13,805 20,638	
	Total general revenues and transfers									375,897	
	Change in net assets								(88,511)		
	Net assets - beginning of year								39,019		
	Net	assets - en	year (deficit)	)				\$	(49,492)		

#### Mills Township Governmental Funds Balance Sheet March 31, 2008

		Special Revenue Fund					Debt Service Fund		Tatal
			Fire	90	did Wasto		Special sessment	Total nt Governme	
	General		Fund	Solid Waste Fund		Fund		G	Funds
Assets	 								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 95,467	\$	90,926	\$	116,314	\$	172,298	\$	475,005
Receivables									
Taxes	10,848		17,031		19,868		-		47,747
Water lines assessments	-		-		-	•	1,309,998		1,309,998
Due from other funds	12,394		-		-		-		12,394
Due from other governmental units	 20,352								20,352
Total assets	\$ 139,061	\$	107,957	\$	136,182	\$ ^	1,482,296	\$	1,865,496
Liabilities									
Accounts payable	\$ 4,000	\$	1,702	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,702
Accrued and other liabilities	2,589		-		-		-		2,589
Due to other funds	-		-		-		12,394		12,394
Deferred revenue						_	1,280,655		1,280,655
Total liabilities	 6,589	_	1,702			_	1,293,049		1,301,340
Fund Balances									
Reserved for debt service	-		-		-		189,247		189,247
Unreserved, reported in:									
General fund	132,472		-		-		-		132,472
Special revenue funds	 		106,255		136,182	_			242,437
Total fund balances	 132,472		106,255		136,182		189,247		564,156
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 139,061	\$	107,957	\$	136,182	\$ ^	1,482,296	\$	1,865,496

## Mills Township Governmental Funds

#### **Reconciliation of Fund Balances of Governmental Funds** to Net Assets of Governmental Activities March 31, 2008

Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 564,156	
Total net assets for governmental activities in the statement of net assets is different because:		
Certain receivables are not available to pay for current expenditures and, therefore are not reported in the	funds. 1,280,655	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in Capital assets - net of accumulated depreciation	n the funds. 679,139	
Certain liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds.  Accrued interest	(56,579)	
Long-term liabilities applicable to governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period an are not reported as fund liabilities.	nd accordingly (2,516,863)	
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ (49,492)	

## Mills Township Governmental Funds

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Debt Service Fund									
			Special Re	ven	ue Fund		Special		Go	vernmental
			Fire	So	olid Waste	As	sessment	Capital		Funds
	 General		Fund		Fund	Fund		Project Fund		Total
Revenues										
Taxes	\$ 76,153	\$	111,451	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	187,604
Licenses and permits	480		-		-		-	-		480
Federal grants	-		-		-		-	289,000		289,000
State revenue sharing	153,850		-		-		-	-		153,850
Special assessments	-		-		-		137,789	-		137,789
Charges for services	-		-		103,460		-	-		103,460
Interest income	5,923		236		1,556		6,090	-		13,805
Rental income	2,615		-		-		-	-		2,615
Other revenue	 16,022	_	1,521	_		_	-			17,543
Total revenues	 255,043	_	113,208	_	105,016	_	143,879	289,000		906,146
Expenditures										
Current										
General government	172,456		-		-		-	-		172,456
Public safety	-		73,246		-		-	-		73,246
Public works	6,092		-		104,032		-	294,070		404,194
Community and economic development	2,715		-		-		-	-		2,715
Recreation and culture	45,835		-		-		-	-		45,835
Debt service										
Principal retirement	-		26,205		-		90,000	-		116,205
Interest and fiscal charges	 -		8,454	_		_	59,311			67,765
Total expenditures	 227,098		107,905		104,032	_	149,311	294,070		882,416
Net change in fund balance	27,945		5,303		984		(5,432)	(5,070)		23,730
Fund balance - beginning of year	 104,527		100,952		135,198	_	194,679	5,070		540,426
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 132,472	\$	106,255	\$	136,182	\$	189,247	<u>\$</u>	\$	564,156

### Mills Township

#### **Governmental Funds**

### Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds	\$ 23,730
Total change in net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.  Depreciation expense	(46,737)
Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenue in the funds.  Water lines assessments	(125,130)
Expenses are recorded when incurred in the statement of activities Interest	(56,579)
Bond proceeds are reported as financing sources in the governmental funds and thus contribute to the change in fund balance. In the statement of net assets, however, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities. Similarly, repayment of principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but reduces the liability in the statement of net assets.	
Repayments of long-term debt	 116,205
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ (88,511)



#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Reporting entity

Mills Township is governed by an elected five-member Board.

#### Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segments are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

### Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are

recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting.* Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Fire Fund accounts for the revenue and expenditures of the government's fire protection and emergency rescue activities.

The Solid Waste Fund accounts for the revenue and expenditures with the government's refuse collection operation.



The Capital Projects Fund accounts for the construction of water lines in the township.

The Debt Service Fund accounts for collections of special assessments to repay loans obtained for construction of water lines.

Additionally, the government reports the following:

Current Tax Collection Fund accounts for property taxes and other deposits collected on behalf of other governmental units.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes where the amounts are reasonably equivalent in value to the interfund services provided and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity

Deposits— Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired.

Receivables and payables – In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts. Property taxes are levied on each December 1<sup>st</sup> on the taxable valuation of property as of the preceding December 31<sup>st</sup>. Taxes are considered delinquent on March 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year, at which time penalties and interest are assessed.

The 2007 taxable valuation of the government totaled \$46,024,024, on which ad valorem taxes consisted of 1.2562 mills for operating purposes and 2.5 mills for fire operating purchases. This resulted in \$57,837 for general fund and \$111,451 for fire fund for operating expenses, exclusive of any Michigan Tax Tribunal or Board of Review adjustments.

Capital assets – Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if purchased or constructed.



The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or extend its useful life beyond the original estimate. In the case of donations, the government values these capital assets at the estimated fair value of the item at the date of its donation.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings 40 years
Vehicles 25 years
Machinery and equipment 5 to 7 years

Long-term obligations – In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities.

Fund equity – In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purposes. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Comparative data**

Comparative data is not included in the Township's financial statements.

#### NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### **Budgetary information**

The Township is subject to the budgetary control requirements of the Uniform Budgeting Act (P.A. 621 of 1978, as amended). Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the General Fund and Fire Fund. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Prior to March 1, the Township Supervisor submits to the Township board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. Public hearings are held to obtain taxpayer comments and the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance prior to April 1.

The budget document presents information by fund, activity, department, and line items. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the activity level. The Township Clerk is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between line items within an activity; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of an activity must be approved by the Township Board.

Amounts encumbered for purchase orders, contracts, etc. are not tracked during the year. Budget appropriations are considered to be spent when goods are received or services rendered.



#### **NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS**

At year end the government's deposits were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Cash and Cash Equivalents						
Governmental activities Fiduciary funds	\$	475,005 9,895						
Total	\$	484,900						

The breakdown between deposits and investments is as follows:

		Primary		
	vernment	Fiduc	iary Funds	
Bank deposits (checking and savings accounts,				
certificates of deposit)	\$	475,005	\$	9,895

Interest rate risk – The Township does not have a formal investment policy to manage its exposure to fair value losses arising form changes in interest rates.

Credit risk — State statutes authorize the government to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations which have an office in Michigan. The local unit is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States; United States government or federal agency obligations; repurchase agreements; bankers acceptance of United States Banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or any of its political subdivisions, which are rated as investment grade; and

mutual funds composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan. The investment policy adopted by the government authorizes investment in bonds and securities of the United States government and bank accounts and certificates of deposit, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed above.

Concentration of credit risk – The Township has no policy that would limit the amount that may be invested with any one issuer.

Custodial credit risk - deposits - In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. The Township does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of year end, \$303,166 of the Township's bank balance of \$486,294 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

#### **NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES AND DEFERRED REVENUE**

The only receivables not expected to be collected within one year are as follows:

Primary government	Due Afte	er One Year	Fund				
Water lines assessments	\$	1,280,655	Special Assessment Fund				

Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenue that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue are as follows:

Primary government	Unavailable					
Water lines assessments	\$ 1,280,655					



#### **NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets activity of the primary government for the current year was as follows:

was as removes.								
	Beginning Balance		Increases		Decreases		 Ending Balance	
Governmental activities Capital assets being depreciated							_	
Buildings, additions and improvements	\$	816,255	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 816,255	
Machinery and equipment Vehicles		68,250 530,000	_	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	 68,250 530,000	
Total capital assets being depreciated		1,414,505	_				 1,414,505	
Less accumulated depreciation for								
Buildings, additions and improvements		597,421		20,279		-	617,700	
Machinery and equipment		50,509		5,257		-	55,766	
Vehicles		40,700	_	21,200		-	 61,900	
Total accumulated depreciation		688,630	_	46,736			 735,366	
Net capital assets being depreciated		725,875	_	(46,736)		-	 679,139	
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$	725,875	\$	(46,736)	\$		\$ 679,139	

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

#### **Governmental activities**

General government Public safety	\$ 28,722 18,015
Total governmental activities	\$ 46,737

#### NOTE 6 -INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The composition of interfund balances is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount		
General Fund General Fund	Agency Special assessment fund	\$	9,895 12,394	
	•	\$	22,289	

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that 1) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and 2) payments between funds are made.



#### **NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT**

The government issues bonds to provide for the acquisition and construction of major capital projects. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government. Installment purchase agreements are also general obligations of the government.

Long-term obligation activity is summarized as follows:

	Amount of Issue	Maturity Date	Interest Rate Ranges	Principal Maturity Ranges	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reduc	tions	Ending Balance	ie Within ne Year
Governmental activities										 
Special assessment obligations										
U.S.D.A. Capital Improvement (91-01)	\$ 1,634,000	2046	4.375%	\$19,000 - \$46,000	\$ 1,620,000	\$ -	\$ 9	0,000	\$ 1,530,000	\$ 19,000
General obligations										
U.S.D.A. Capital Improvement (91-03)	621,000	2046	4.375%	\$8,000 - \$17,000	615,000	-		-	615,000	8,000
U.S.D.A. Capital Improvement (91-05)	213,000	2046	4.375%	\$3,000 - \$7,000	211,000	-		-	211,000	3,000
Installment purchase agreements										
Fire Truck loan - Chemical Bank - 2003	120,000	2012	4.05%	\$12,976 - \$16,178	69,144	-	1	2,439	56,705	12,976
Fire Truck loan - Chemical Bank - 2005	205,000	2015	4.79%	\$14,193 - 17,934	117,924		1	3,766	104,158	 14,193
Total bonds payable					\$ 2,633,068	<u>\$</u> -	\$ 11	5,205	\$ 2,516,863	\$ 57,169

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above obligations are as follows:

Year Ending	 Governmental Activities			
March 31,	 Principal		Interest	
2009	\$ 57,169	\$	113,847	
2010	66,375		111,153	
2011	72,634		108,122	
2012	79,510		104,839	
2013	68,114		101,342	
2014-2018	329,061		459,692	
2019-2023	325,000		387,518	
2024-2028	325,000		316,425	
2029-2033	331,000		244,892	
2034-2038	335,000		171,829	
2039-2043	340,000		98,001	
2044-2046	 188,000		24,458	
	\$ 2,516,863	\$	2,242,118	



#### **NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation). The government has purchased commercial insurance for all claims. Settled claims relating to the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **NOTE 9 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT AND BENEFIT SYSTEMS**

The Township participates in a defined contribution retirement plan administered by Gleaner Life Insurance Company. The plan covers all members of the Township Board. The amount of contributions is based upon amount of compensation earned. The contributions amounted to \$13,062 for the year ended March 31, 2008.

#### **NOTE 10 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.



# Mills Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

	Budae	eted Amounts		Actual Over (Under) Final	
	Original			Budget	
Revenues			Actual	<u> </u>	
Taxes					
Property taxes	\$ 54,3	94 \$ 54,394	\$ 57,837	\$ 3,443	
Administration fee	14,5		•	3,804	
Licenses and permits	2	40 240	480	240	
State revenue sharing	134,4	10 134,410	153,850	19,440	
Interest income	2,8	24 2,824	5,923	3,099	
Rental income	1,8	•	•	730	
Other revenue	11,6	<u> </u>	16,022	4,408	
Total revenues	219,8	<u>79</u> <u>219,879</u>	255,043	35,164	
Expenditures					
General government					
Township board	96,0	71 117,113	105,907	(11,206)	
Supervisor	10,1	32 10,732	10,663	(69)	
Clerk	9,7	40 10,040	9,964	(76)	
Board of review	2,5	50 2,700	2,700	-	
Treasurer	10,7	40 11,240	11,157	(83)	
Assessor	14,5	61 14,561	12,723	(1,838)	
Elections	4,0	•	•	(4)	
Buildings and grounds	20,3	00 22,750	15,346	(7,404)	
Total general government	168,0	94 193,136	172,456	(20,680)	
Public works					
Drains	3	40 340	-	(340)	
Highways, streets and bridges	53,9	·	•	(47,808)	
Street lighting	3,0	00 3,350	<u>-</u>	(3,350)	
Total public works	57,2	<u>40</u> <u>57,590</u>	6,092	(51,498)	

# Mills Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

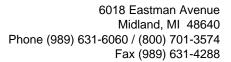
	Budgeted A	mounts		Actual Over (Under) Final	
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget	
Community and economic development Planning	3,600	3,625	2,715	(910)	
Recreation and culture Parks and recreation Library	44,450 6,000	50,375 6,000	40,115 5,720	(10,260) (280)	
Total recreation and culture	50,450	56,375	45,835	(10,540)	
Total expenditures	279,384	310,726	227,098	(83,628)	
Net change in fund balance	(59,505)	(90,847)	27,945	118,792	
Fund balance - beginning of year	104,527	104,527	104,527		
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 45,022 \$	13,680	\$ 132,472	\$ 118,792	

# Mills Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Fire Fund

		Budgeted A			Actual Over (Under) Final
	<u>Or</u>	iginal	Final	Actual	Budget
Revenues					
Taxes	\$	104,792	\$ 104,674	\$ 111,451	\$ 6,777
Interest income		-	-	236	236
Other revenue		<u> </u>	<del>-</del>	1,521	1,521
Total revenues		104,792	104,674	113,208	8,534
Expenditures					
Current		60.000	00.570	70.040	(7.224)
Fire department		69,838	80,570	73,246	(7,324)
Debt service Principal retirement		26,205	26,205	26,205	
Interest and fiscal charges		8,454	8,454	8,454	-
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Total expenditures		104,497	115,229	107,905	(7,324)
Net change in fund balance		295	(10,555)	5,303	15,858
Fund balance - beginning of year		100,952	100,952	100,952	
Fund balance - end of year	\$	101,247	\$ 90,397	\$ 106,255	\$ 15,858

# Mills Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Solid Waste Fund

	Budgete	d Amounts		Actual Over (Under) Final
	Original	Actual	Budget	
Revenues Taxes	\$ 111,000		\$ 103,460	
Interest income	82	82	1,556	1,474
Total revenues	111,082	103,542	105,016	1,474
Expenditures Public works	106,982	113,982	104,032	(9,950)
Net change in fund balance	4,100	(10,440)	984	11,424
Fund balance - beginning of year	135,198	135,198	135,198	
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 139,298	\$ 124,758	\$ 136,182	\$ 11,424





# Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Township Board Mills Township Midland County, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Mills Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Mills Township's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 20, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Mills Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Mills Township's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Mills Township's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all



deficiencies in the internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We have identified the following deficiencies in the internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies in internal control as defined above.

1. We proposed seventeen adjusting journal entries that you approved and posted to your general ledger. Substantially all of the entries were to correct bookkeeping errors resulting from misclassifying the journal entry to the correct account and other adjustments that should have been made prior to our arrival for the audit. We believe that a review and evaluation of transactions would expedite the year-end closing and reduce audit time.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Mills Township's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management and others within the organization, Township Board, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Yeo & Yeo, P.C. Midland, Michigan

August 20, 2008





August 20, 2008

Board of Directors Mills Township Midland County, Michigan

We have completed our audit of the financial statements of Mills Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008 and have issued our report dated August 20, 2008. We are required to communicate certain matters to you in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America that are related to internal control and the audit. The appendices to this letter set forth those communications as follows:

I Auditors' Communication of Significant Matters with Those Charged with Governance

#### **II Management Comments**

We discussed these matters with various personnel in the organization during the audit and with management. We would also be pleased to meet with you to discuss these matters at your convenience.

These communications are intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors, others within the organization, and are not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Midland, Michigan August 20, 2008

Yeo & Yeo, P.C.



Auditors' Communication of Significant Matters with Those Charged with Governance

#### Responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards

As stated in our engagement letter dated January 2, 2008, we are responsible for conducting our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAS) established by the Auditing Standards Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Our responsibility, as prescribed by US GAAS, is to express an opinion about whether the financial statements prepared by management, with your oversight, are fairly presented, in all material respects. Our audit does not relieve you of your responsibilities.

#### Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We performed the audit according to the planned scope and timing previously communicated to you in our engagement letter.

#### **Significant Audit Findings**

- Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. We will advise management about their appropriateness and application. The significant accounting policies are described in (Note 1) of the financial statements. We noted no transactions entered into by the organization during the year where there is lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. There are no significant transactions that were recognized in a period other than which they occurred.
- Accounting estimates are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions. Some estimates are sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and the fact that future events affecting them may differ from those expected. We are not aware of any particular sensitive estimates made by Mills Township.
- Disclosures in the financial statements are neutral, consistent and clear. Certain disclosures are more sensitive than others due to their relevance to the users of the financial statements.

#### **Difficulties Encountered During the Audit**

No difficulties were encountered during the audit.

#### **Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements**

Professional standards require that the auditor accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those the auditor believes to be trivial. The adjustments identified during the audit have been communicated to management and management has posted all adjustments.



#### **Disagreements with Management**

A disagreement with management is defined as a financial accounting, reporting or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, which could be significant, individually or in the aggregate to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We had no disagreements with management during the audit.

#### **Management Representations**

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated as of the date of the audit report.

#### **Management's Consultations with Other Accountants**

From time to time, management may decide to consult with other accountants about audit and accounting matters. Should this occur, professional standards require the consulting accountant to communicate with us to determine that they have all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants during the year.

#### Significant Issues Discussed or Subject to Correspondence with Management

From time to time auditors discuss significant issues with management such as business conditions affecting the entity, business plans and strategies that may affect the risk of material misstatement and the application of accounting principles and auditing standards. The issues discussed during the audit occurred during the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### Other Reports

Other information that is required to be reported to you is included in the report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Please read all information included in that report to ensure you are aware of relevant information.



### Appendix 2 Management Comment

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Mills Township as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, we considered Mills Township internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

However, during our audit we became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls, improving operating efficiency and reducing expenses. This letter does not affect our report date August 20, 2008, on the financial statements of Mills Township. Our comments and recommendations regarding those matters are:

#### **CREDIT CARD POLICY**

During our review of township procedures we have noted that the "Credit Card Policy" has not been adopted.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the Township adopts "Credit Card Policy" that defines appropriate procedures and policies for credit cards usage.

#### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

During our inquiries of Township personnel and our review of Township procedures we have noted that supporting documentation is not always required to be submitted when request reimbursement for expense incurred on Township behalf.

#### Recommendation

Supporting documentation (store receipt, invoices, mileage log, bills, etc.) is necessary documentation, which is required to be maintained as a proof of purchase for goods, services and miles driven for Township related business.

